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Claims 1-7 (Canceled)

8.(Withdrawn) Di(1-1-isopropyl-3-methylbut-2-enyl)borane of the formula (la).

9.(Withdrawn) A bis(allyl)borane of the formula (I) obtainable by a process as claimed in claim 1.

10.(Withdrawn) A Suzuki coupling reaction product obtained through use of a bis(allyl)borane of the formula (III) or (V) in C-C coupling reactions.

11.(Currently Amended) A process for preparing boronic [[acids]] acid esters by reaction of a diene with sodium borohydride in the presence of [[an]] a first oxidant selected from the group consisting of an alkyl halide, a dialkyl sulfate, and mixtures thereof to form the corresponding bis(allyl)borane of the formula (I) as described in claim 1

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wherein R¹-R⁵ are H, aryl or substituted or unsubstituted C_1 - C_4 -alkyl or two of the radicals R¹-R⁵ may be closed to form a cyclic system, and further reaction of the borane (I) with an appropriate alkene (II) or alkyne (IV) to

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R11 & R7 & R8 \\
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R10 & (11)
\end{array}$$

give the

alkylbis(allyl)borane (III) or alkenylbis(allyl)borane (V)

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wherein the radicals R⁷ to R¹² are: aryl, substituted or unsubstituted, alkyl-(C₁-C₂), which may be branched and/or substituted, alkoxy-(C₁-C₂), acyloxy-(C₁-C₂), which may be branched and/or substituted, alkoxy-(C₁-C₂), acyloxy-(C₁-C₂), O-phenyl, fluorine, chlorine, NO₂, NH₂, NHalkyl-(C₁-C₂), Nalkyl₂-(C₁-C₂), CN, CHO, SO₃H, SO₂R, SO₂NH₂, SO₂N(alkyl-(C₁-C₂)), SO₂-alkyl-(C₁-C₂), CO-alkyl-(C₁-C₂), NHCHO, CF₃, 5-membered heteroaryl or 6-membered heteroaryl, where two of radicals R⁷ to R¹² may also form a cyclic ring system which may contain heteroatoms which is exidized directly and directly exidizing the alkylbis(allyl)borane (III) or alkenylbis(allyl)borane (V) in the presence of [[an]] a second exidant to form the corresponding bisallyl alkylboronate or alkenylboronate and, if desired, subsequent-conversion into a derivative.

Claim 12 (Canceled)

- 13. The process as claimed in claim 11, wherein the <u>second</u> oxidant [[used]] is selected from the group consisting of formaldehyde, acetone, glyoxal, [[or]] diacetyl, and mixtures thereof.
- 14. (Withdrawn) A Suzuki coupling reaction product obtained by using bis(allyl) alkylboronate or alkenylboronate produced as claimed in claim 11 in C-C coupling reactions.
- 15.(New) The process of claim 11, further comprising hydrolyzing the boronic acid esters to form boronic acids